

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: PBB Meeting held Wednesday, 22 July 1953.

Present: Messrs. Bedell Smith, Kyes, Stassen, Dulles,
Jackson, Morgan.

(1) Presidential TV Programs

There was general agreement that it might be worthwhile to work up a series of programs, and there was general feeling that it would be useful that the President appear for a short time on all of them. Jackson was to study the possibilities further and confer with the President.

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(3) Southeast Asia Paper

State Department proposed to put in a revised paper and the Defense Department has some additional suggestions. It was thought that the paper would be ready for the next meeting. There was also a general discussion of the proposed Donovan mission to Thailand.

(4) Korean Reconstruction Program

Mr. Stassen stated that he felt the President should take this matter before Congress personally if there was an armistice, and he felt quite sure that the President's personal intervention would be the one thing which would induce Congress to make the necessary appropriations to get the reconstruction program on the way. It was decided in the meantime that everything should be done so that some action could be taken immediately upon signing the armistice, and that if appropriations were not forthcoming, we should have to see what could be done under existing authorization.

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(6) Submission of the Jackson Report to Nicholls [redacted]

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It was agreed that we should wait until after the NSC had acted on the report and then possibly give Nicholls a carefully sanitized edition thereof. There was considerable discussion of the Jackson Report and in the course of it Roger Kyes read to me the comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff taking vigorous objection to the assumption of responsibility [redacted]

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(7) There was discussion of the possibility of sending wheat to Yugoslavia. It was felt that this would require legislation, unless it could be done under some existing MSA authority.

(8) National Research Council's Transportation Request for Manila Conference

Roger Kyes said that under their existing procedures they could not grant such transportation without consulting Congressional leaders and under the circumstances they did not feel they could do this.

(9) Resolution to Send Diplomatic Representatives to the Ukraine and Byelo, Russia.

There was some discussion of this resolution and it was felt that on the whole it better be allowed to die. While it was recognized that [redacted]

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more difficult than ever to deal with. It was also generally agreed that the resolution would die in committee at least for this session of the Congress.

(10) Albania

I agreed to prepare and submit at the next meeting a paper on Albania.

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